

REMARKS

The Notice of Non-Compliance was on the basis that “At least Claim 26 appears to include text that was not present in the immediate prior version of the claims that has not been marked with underlining as required.” Although the Notice does not specify which text is being referred-to, it appears that the text in question consists of the words “said method” in line 5 of the amended claim. These words have accordingly been underlined. The amendments are now believed to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

For the reasons stated in the December 4 response, withdrawal of the rejections and expedited passage of the application to issue is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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